
USAF Space Cadre Update



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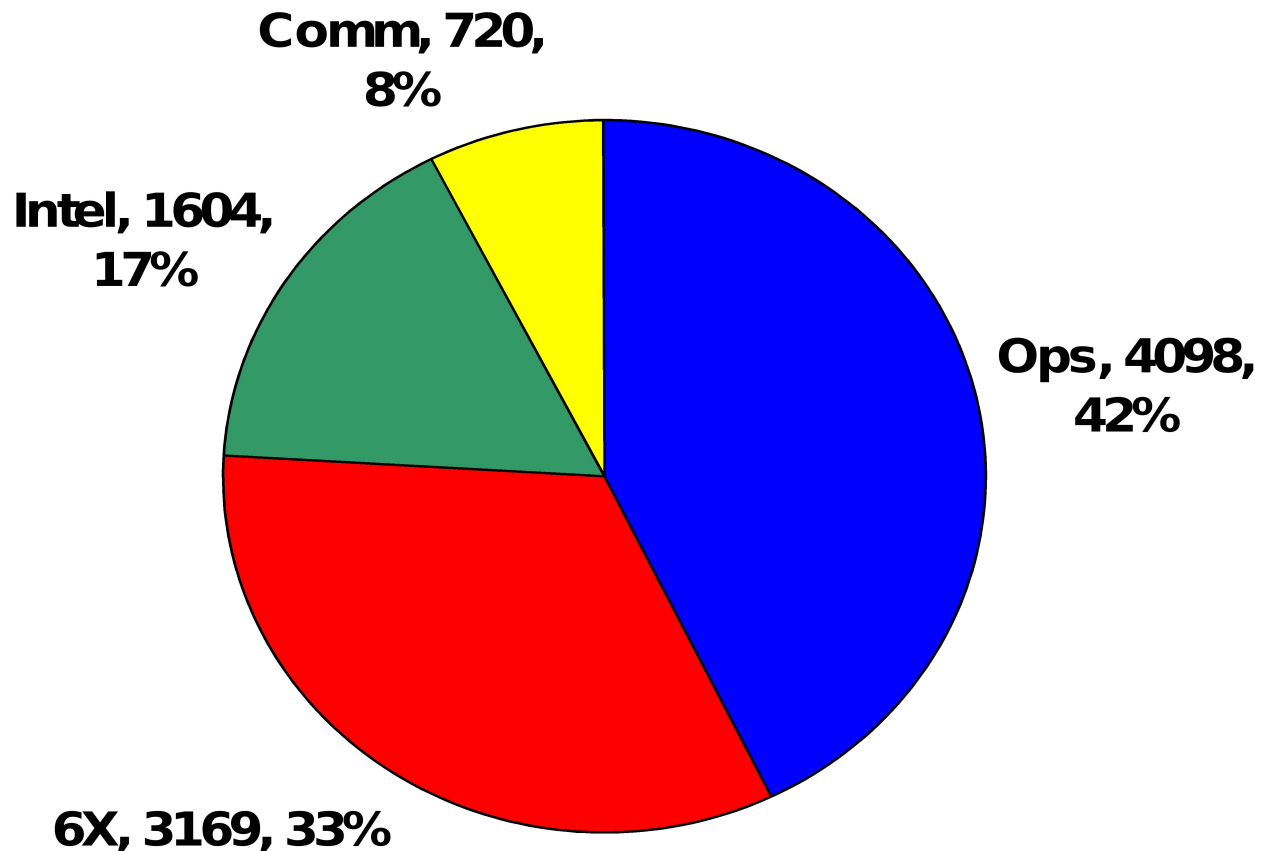
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Overview

- **Air Force Cadre Overview**
- **Institutionalizing Space Professional Development**
 - **Force Development**
 - **Space Education**
 - **Civilian Space Professional Development Program (SPDP)**

Air Force Cadre Overview

Total active duty cadre: 9591



Institutionalizing Space

Development

- **Goal: Integrate space professional development into broader AF programs**
- **Foundational guidelines / instructions**
 - ***AFI 36-2640, Executing Total Force Development***
 - ***AFI, Space Professional Development Prgm***
 - **SPDP Interim Guidance Memo**
- **AF Functional Authority-Space Pro Functional Authority roles & relationships**
- **Space Operations (13S) Development Team**
 - **HQ AFSPC/A3 panel chair**
 - **HQ AF Force Development infrastructure**

Institutionalizing Space

Development

Space Education

- **National Security Space Institute integration with Air University (AU) and Air Combat Command (ACC)**
 - Space Pro School realigned to AU
 - Space Ops School under Space Integration and Development Center, linkage with ACC courses
- **Advanced education initiatives**
 - Univ of Colo at Colo Spgs Space Certificate
 - Naval Postgraduate School certificate / degree program
- **End-to-end review**
 - Space 200 and 300: combined AFSPC, AU effort
- **Space in Professional Military Education**
 - AU increasing hours, electives
 - JPME: “poorly represented”; no definitive guidance

Institutionalizing Space

Development

Civilian
SPDP

- **Approach**
 - Selected SMC wing, SMC overall, then AF-wide
 - Surveys: position requirements
 - Resumes: individual credentials
 - Interviews: additional position, individual details
- **Considerations**
 - Data collection challenges
 - Extended civilian timeline: 30 years
 - Space 200, 300 eligibility windows
 - Space vs. acquisition knowledge requirements